



April Meeting



Jan led a very happy and successful workshop on Locker Hooking and the rest of us either frantically raced to finish bunting flags or plodded on with work in progress. Thank you to Jan for her meticulous preparation and patience
Angela reminded us that mats



and rugs for display at our Open Day in June should be brought to the May meeting.

Open Meeting Saturday 2 June 11.30am - 3-30pm



The hall will be open to visitors from 11.30 am with tea/ coffee and cakes available. It is hoped to fill the hall with colour and the committee will be hard at work from dawn, hanging bunting and displaying rugs. We are delighted with the response to the Bunting Project (56 flags and counting) and are confident that the light and airy space will show off our work to its best advantage. The big push now is to attract visitors and everyone is encouraged to take flyers to distribute in her local area as well as share snippets via social media and word of mouth.

Thank you to those members who have already volunteered

to demonstrate the various rug-making techniques that we use. We need a few more, so please see Angela if you feel able to pass on your knowledge and skills for an hour or so. Please bring along your latest work in progress and make sure Angela receives any items for display at the May meeting, in preparation for the dawn hanging in June. Items should be priced (with 10% commission going to club funds), or labelled NFS (not for sale).



News of Our Members

Louisa Creed has kindly donated a rug depicting the stone circle at Castlerigg to the Keswick Museum. If you are planning a visit to the Lake District this summer, you might want to take a peek at it in the flesh. Otherwise, Louisa's rugs can be seen on her website www.louisa-creed-ragrugs.co.uk.

Lewis Creed reminds us that there will be a Table Top sale at 4 Kingsway North in York on Saturday 12 May from 10-11.30am in aid of The Deanne Gee Memorial fund.



Jan Haines, who led our Locker Hooking Workshop this month, is busily preparing lots of Workshop Kits for the workshop she will be teaching at the TIGHR triennial meeting in Reeth in October. This may seem a long way away, but Jan will have 20 students in the morning and 12 in the afternoon to prepare for, with students coming from all over the world to learn her Embellished Rug-making techniques.

Angela Gray and Frances Owen jointly lead a U3A group of crafters who meet fortnightly to chat and craft together in Huntington. I'm told that last Christmas, they made a bunch of textile angels and crept out at dead of night to distribute them all over the streets of Huntington. Whoever discovered them the next day was encouraged to take them home as a Christmas gift of love. What a selfless and generous gesture!



Felt at Armley Mills



Meantime, those of you who are interested in felt making might like to check out Wool Stories, a community exhibition by the International Feltmakers Association on display at Leeds Industrial Museum at Armley Mills. Sponsored by Arts Council England, the exhibition is free with museum entrance and runs from 14 April until 21 October.

For more inspiration...

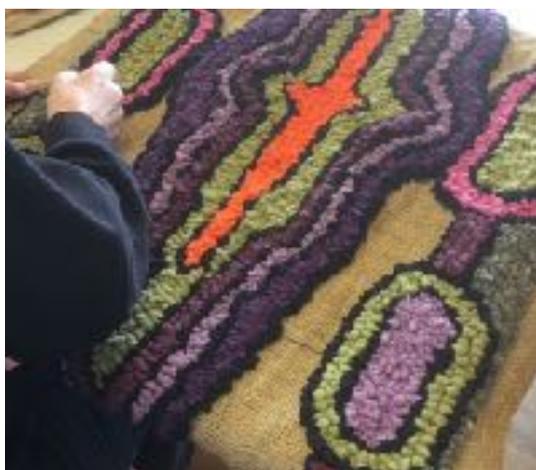
Check out The Bee Loft Programme for 2018. You will find all sorts of interesting and inspiring craft and textile courses including feltmaking, slow stitch and willow weaving at Heather Lamborn's home in Angram, 6 miles from York. See www.thebeeloft.com for the whole range.

Visit York Outer Limit Artists Open Studios in Haxby and Wigginton. From 5-7 May, four local artists will welcome you to their studios where you will find examples of their work displayed. 10am to 4pm. www.yorkouterlimitsartists.co.uk That same weekend Pocklington Area Open Studios takes place. www.visithullandeast-yorkshire.com



Work in Progress

We have such a wealth of talent amongst our members and I look forward to enjoying the latest creation from our members at the Open Day in June. Meantime, here is a glimpse of some of the work currently in progress.....



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some
already
finished,
ready for
display



Next Meeting
12 May: Working Meeting
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